511 Much public and voluntary work is being done to improve the conditions in those areas. Even in the south, in the outer islands of the archipelago, the fishermen often have to get along without the necessities of life, as the soil is too rocky to feed a cow or to grow potatoes, and communication with the mainland is often hampered by storms and ice.

561 There are no slum areas in the cities; the daily sweeping of streets and cleaning of the market places keep the cities very clean. Since industry uses water power instead of coal, even cities like Tampere, an industrial center crowded with large factories, can offer a spectacle of white buildings and verdant parks.

735 Beggary is non-existent, and the class of vagabonds is mainly represented by gypsies, who are more numerous in Finland than in any other Northern country.